Weekly Report – June 19, 2013

Appropriations Legislative Action Alert:

Two appropriations bills have been marked up by the full committee and could be brought to the floor at any time (Defense and Agriculture) and two more are being considered at the subcommittee level this week (Transportation/Housing and Urban Development, and Energy and Water).

The Outside Groups Weigh In On Appropriations:

A collection of 12 fiscally conservative groups sent an open letter last week urging the House to stick the overall BCA-mandated discretionary spending cap of \$967 billion. The letter points out that higher spending levels for defense-related appropriations bills must "not create a pathway to exceed BCA caps." The groups signing the letter include the National Taxpayers Union, Americans for Prosperity, Americans for Tax Reform, FreedomWorks, and Citizens Against Government Waste.

H.R. 1947, the FARRM bill and the House Budget

➤ The House budget calls for the Agriculture Committee to find a little over \$200 billion in savings over ten years. The FARRM Bill is scored as saving a net of \$33 billion over ten years.





		FY13 Enacted Post		FY13 Enacted V FY14	
Subcomittee	FY2013 302(b)	Sequester	FY14 House 302(b)	302(b)	FY13 V. FY14
Agriculture	19,405	19,560	19,450	-110	-0.6%
CJS	51,131	47,020	46,845	-175	-0.4%
Defense	519,220	486,297	512,522	26,225	5.4%
Energy and Water	32,098	34,263	30,426	-3,837	-11.2%
Financial Services	21,150	19,874	16,966	-2,908	-14.6%
Homeland (non disaster)	39,117	37,759	38,993	1,234	3.3%
Interior	28,000	28,240	24,278	-3,962	-14.0%
LaborHHS	150,002	149,640	121,797	-27,843	-18.6%
Legislative	4,289	4,061	4,124	63	1.6%
MilConVA	71,747	70,909	73,320	2,411	3.4%
State Foreign Ops	40,132	40,358	34,103	-6,255	-15.5%
THUD	51,606	48,441	44,100	-4,341	-9.0%
Totals	1,027,897	986,422	966,924	-19,498	-2.0%

(figures in millions of dollars)

RSC Historical Budget Authority

- ➤ "Back to Basics" RSC FY14 Budget Non-OCO Discretionary Spending \$950 billion
 - o RSC FY12 Budget Non-OCO Discretionary Spending \$933 billion
 - o RSC FY13 Budget Non-OCO Discretionary Spending \$933 billion

BSTF Appropriations Assistance

- ➤ The BSTF remains available to assist members interested in offering amendments to reported appropriations bills. Please contact Will Dunham at will.dunham@mail.house.gov, or ex. 6-0718 with any questions.
- ➤ The House 302(a) is \$967 billion to match BCA-mandated *post*-sequester levels. The Senate is writing its appropriations bills to \$1.058 trillion, the BCA-mandated *pre*-sequester levels.
- The bills most likely to be considered on the House floor are: Defense, Agriculture, T-HUD, and Energy and Water.

Spending Reductions on the House Floor

Savings Scoreboard

Cuts considered last week: \$2,000,000 Cuts passed last week: \$2,000,000

Cuts considered this year: \$43,331,000,000 Cuts passed this year: \$15,278,000,000 Every week, we profile the latest data on spending cuts and deficit reduction measures considered on the House floor in the "Savings Scoreboard." All figures are reductions in direct spending over 10 years. Methodology and a detailed breakdown of cuts are available upon request (RSC Staff Contact: Will Dunham,

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